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SUBJECT: PROPOSED MEETING WITH EC-9 ON ILO

REF: A. STATE 177374, B. THE HAGUE 3993, C. STATE 191800, D. GENEVA

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1. NETHERLANDS PERMREP VAN DER KLAUW CONVEYED TO US VIEW OF EC-9
GENEVA PERMREPS THAT CONSULTATIONS WITH US WOULD BE DIFFICULT TO
SECHEDULE UNTIL SOMETIME INTO SEPTEMBER, AND SUGGESTED DATES OF
SEPT 13-14 WITH POSSIBILITY OF RESUMED CONSULTATIONS JUST
PRIOR TO GOVERNING BOARD MEETING IN NOVEMBER. WE ACCEPTED SEPT
13-14 DATES IN LINE REFTELA. VAN DER KLAUW EXPRESSED INTEREST
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IN RECEIVING BEFOREHAND LIST OF POINTS US MIGHT RAISE AT

SEPTEMBER MEETING. WHEN ASKED ABOUT POINTS EC-9 MIGHT WISH TO RAISE, HE FORESAW INTEREST IN QUESTIONS OF (A) HOW IMEC CONSULTATIONS HAD FUNCTIONED DURING JUNE CONFERENCES, (B) IMPLICATIONS OF DEPARTURE OF CANADIAN PERMREP BARTON, WHO HAD ASSUMED KEY LEADERSHIP ROLE IN THESE, AND (C) WHETHER IMEC COMPOSITION MIGHT BE OVERLY BROAD.

2. INDICATIVE OF EC-9 SENSITIVITIES ON THIS LAST, VAN DER KLAUW COMMENTED THAT INITIATIVE TO CALL TOGETHER CONSULTATIONS BETWEEN OTHER THAT US AND EC-9 WOULD HAVE TO COME FROM US OR OTHER COUNTRIES, ALTHOUGH EC-9 WOULD PARTICIPATE. ELABORATING ON THIS, HE SAID EC-9 SAW IMEC AS "OPERATIONAL GROUP" IN CONFERENCE SITUATIONS, WHEREAS US-EC-9 CONSULTATIONS WERE REGARDED AS OCCASION FOR DEEP EXCHANGES ON FUNDAMENTAL ILO QUESTIONS. HE SAID EC-9 HOPES, THEREFORE, THAT SEPTEMBER EXCHANGE WILL NOT BE CONFINED TO EVALUATION OF JUNE CONFERENCES, BUT ALSO BE DIRECTED TO THE FUTURE.

3. REQUEST GUIDANCE ON WHAT MIGHT BE PROVIDED TO VAN DER KLAUW BY WAY OF POINTS WE WILL WISH TO RAISE FROM US SIDE IN SEPTEMBER CONSULTATIONS. CATTO

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